HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: OCTOBER 17, 2022

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, October 17, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice President Brad Bray, Member Jack Dodd and County Attorney Alan Wilson, County Auditor Jessica Secrease was not present.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Jerry Asher and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and President Wyman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 3, 2022, regular meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray; Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS & REPORTS:

HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Purchase of Two New Vehicles:

Sheriff Jerry Asher stated that the Sheriff's department had a totaled -out vehicle and would like to replace this vehicle with the reimbursement from Liberty Mutual in the amount of \$21,236.46. Sherriff Asher stated that the Sheriff's department would like to purchase two 2022 Dodge Durango's, one to replace the crash vehicle and the other would be for a canine vehicle. Also, a 2016 Ford Explorer would be traded in to help pay for the new canine vehicle, Sheriff Asher stated that the difference would be paid by the Sherriff's Commissary Fund. A motion was made by Commissioner Dodd to approve the insurance money to be used for the purchase of a new vehicle to replace the crashed vehicle, to trade in the 2016 Ford Explorer for the canine vehicle, and to pay the difference will be covered by the Sheriff's Commissary Fund; Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

In the absence of Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease, Chief Deputy Auditor Gabrielle Heckert submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

- 1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on October 7, 2022, in the amount read as subtotal \$892,211.99 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- 2. **Payroll Expenses:** The Commissioners' Payroll Expenses for payment on October 7, in the amount of \$892,211.99 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- 3. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid October 17, 2022, in the amount of \$1,107,211.59 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Agreement with Berry Communications, LLC

County Attorney Alan Wilson submitted an agreement with Berry Communications LLC DBA BerryComm and Berry It, LLC to make any repairs when digging/trenching in Howard County. A motion was made by Commissioner Bray to approve the agreement between the Howard County Board of Commissioners and Berry Communications LLC DBA BerryComm and Berry It, LLC to make any repairs when digging/trenching in Howard County. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Agreement with Indiana District-6 Healthcare Coalition

County Attorney Alan Wilson submitted an agreement between the Commissioners of Howard County, Indiana, and the Indiana District-6 Healthcare Coalition. A motion was made by Commissioner Bray to approve the agreement between the Commissioners of Howard County, Indiana, and the Indiana District-6 Healthcare Coalition. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS ISSUSES:

2023 Commissioners' Meeting Schedule

Commissioner President Paul Wyman submitted the 2023 Commissioners' Meeting Schedule for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Dodd to approve the 2023 Commissioners' Meeting Schedule for approval. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

2023 Holiday Schedule

Commissioner President Paul Wyman submitted the 2023 Holiday Schedule for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Dodd to approve the 2023 Holiday Schedule for approval. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.

	HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:
	PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT
	ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT
	JACK W. DODD, MEMBER
ATTEST:	
JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR	
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